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The Court House Restaurant has been greatly enlarged and improved. The best of day board and good rooms. Rates as low as decent accommodations can be afforded at. Come and see me, 139 South Water street W. A Combs. july7-dtf

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The Topographical Instinct

A keep thinking Scotch skipper seeing a whale plowing its solitary way steadily south for home and not deviating a point from his course said: "A whale will often leave the pack and set out all alone in search of warmer seas as this one seems to have done. What guides them? Ah! now you block me [illegible] but not only whales, even seals seem positively to carry a compass in their brains."

Many animals and birds possess a sense which enables them to find their way unerringly over sea or land where there exists so far as we can see nothing to guide them. Dogs, cats, horses and birds have found their way back from great distances to their homes although they have been conveyed from it in a way to deprive them of all assistance from the organs of sight.

The carrier pigeon, for instance, is carried hundreds of miles from its loft. It has traveled that distance in a basket under the seat of a railroad car, but when it is thrown up, it circles about for a few minutes and then decides unhesitatingly on the exact line of flight which brings it to its loft, though it may never have been in the country before.

The explanation which says the bird has "the homing instinct" is as lame as that which ascribes to the bird the power of seeing its loft a hundred miles away. the Scotch skipper's is much better "the bird carries a compass in its brains."

A writer in Leisure Hour says that a collie pup 7 months old was brought from Inverary to Aberdeen by rail, and from Aberdeen to Banchory by another railroad. The puppy ran away from Banchory and found its way back in a few days to Inverary across a wooded hilly country with one river and several streams to get over.

The writer calls the sense by which animals are guided in finding their way the topographical instinct—which is a name, but not an explanation.—Youth's Companion.

Incongruities in Hair

Yes, said the hairdresser as she pomaded and bandolined a sitter's hair, we have some curious features in our business. For example there's "the widow's lock."

Is that a style of hair indigenous to widows?

It is supposed to predict widowhood. It's a lock that grows out straight at the parting of the hair and will not grow [illegible] with the [illegible]. Then there is the cowlick.

Is that another independent lock?

Yes, it grows straight up from the forehead like a tuft of grass as if a cow had licked it up—and it is so stubborn that ladies afflicted with them often part their hair on the side to avoid them. They are a great trouble and no one knows why they have them.

The hairdresser took a roll of hair pins and put a dozen or so in her mouth. [illegible]

[illegible] that hairpin went right into my [illegible]

[illegible] Oh they are not in fashion now. [illegible] [illegible] as white as snow [illegible] —[illegible] Free Press.

The Dummy's Suck

[illegible] from [illegible] a few days [illegible] to a party of friends [illegible] the lobby of the Globe hotel [illegible] In the seat [illegible] were two well [illegible] gentlemen who were carrying on an earnest but very quiet conversation with their fingers. When the train reached [illegible] a couple of stylish young girls came in and took the seat in front of the two men which happened to be turned facing them. The girls very soon noticed the finger conversation and coolly proceeded to comment upon the personal appearance of the gentlemen in a very audible tone of voice. "The fellow with the blond mustache is pretty good looking," said one. "It's a pity he can't talk. I wonder if they're married." and so they went on for a few minutes. Pretty soon the conductor came through the car and [illegible] the passengers [illegible] the little scene [illegible] with the [illegible] [illegible] Then [illegible] "And what time [illegible]?" It was [illegible] of those girls. [illegible] for them [illegible] Syracuse Herald.

Weakening Our Eyes

I wish I could move out to Dakota, twenty miles from the nearest school house and bring the children up myself. They would know a hawk from a hernshaw as far as anyone. See those boys with big, hands[ome] eyes going from school. Half can't sight a target or a [illegible] a ship down the bay. If the country should have another war the government would have to fund regiments in spectacles. Nine hours a day do those pallid school children pore over school books with the vilest print that ruins eyes. Between the poor print of school books and the newspapers, and incessant reading we are losing eyes as fast as possible. The big handsome eyed women have to use atropine to see at all, and the clever women all have contracted, sunken eyes from reading too much. They begin at 6 years old and keep tasking the eyes till the amaurosis sets in. Do you know there isn't one person in 500 with really good eyes and fewer children?—Shirley Dare.

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BROKEN HEARTS

There are broken hearts in the world today
Though smiling faces hide them
They pass and repass on the old highway
With still grief beside them
The wan white face of the woman who knows
That she must wander apart
From the soul where not even pity glows
With a proud but broken heart.

There are broken hearts in the world today
Beneath warm furs and laces,
Bleak December gnaws at those hearts though May
Smiles in the dauntless faces.
The resolute eyes of the man we see
By day in the busy mart
Look down in the night through his soul and he
Looks into a broken heart.

There are broken hearts in the world today,
For all the cynic's laughter,
The warm hearts that were red and growing gray,
Hope fled and Youth went after
But the sun comes up and the world goes round
And all of us play our parts,
But over us well as under the ground
There are dead and broken hearts.

—John Ernest McCann in New York Mercury

The Rights of Children.

A bright little girl of 4½ years was out on the sidewalk in Brooklyn with her brother, who was 6. He left her for a few minutes and she started to go alone across the street at the crossing, when an ice wagon ran over and killed her. Her father sued the ice company for damages and got a verdict. The company carried the case to the court of appeals, where its lawyers claimed that it was gross negligence for a parent to allow a little child to go into the street or on to the sidewalk without some competent person to take care of it. The court decides that it is not negligence to do so, and holds the company liable in damages. Here is what Judge Earl says on the subject:

Hundreds of young children are permitted with general safety, and must be permitted in cities to amuse themselves on the sidewalks, and they cannot always be attended by persons of discretion. The highest prudence would doubtless require that they should be so guarded but it cannot be said as matter of law that ordinary prudence forbids that a bright child 4½ years old, properly instructed and cautioned, should go unattended on a sidewalk for diversion.—Washington Star.

Railroad Mileage

The number of inhabitants to each mile of railroad in 1850 was 2,571, while in 1887 this number was only 112, and the decrease has been so steady as to admit of representation by a curve which seems to be hyperbolic in character. There was a conspicuous interruption in the curve at the time of the civil war, and another after the panic of 1873, but its nature is not materially affected by these disturbances. Estimating the future increase of population on the basis of the past, the prolongation of the curve would indicate for 1890 a population of 390 to the mile of railroad, and the limit of the curve would be approximately reached in 1898 with a population per mile of 325. It would appear, therefore, that the normal rate of railroad building for the five years from 1885 to 1890 is about 8,000 miles a year, and that 9,000 miles would be in excess of the limit indicated by the curve.—New York Telegram.

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American Opossum, at $2 25
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Monkey Muffs, at $5 00.

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FROM WASHINGTON.

Caustic Statement by Senator Ingalls on the Cleveland Scandal Question

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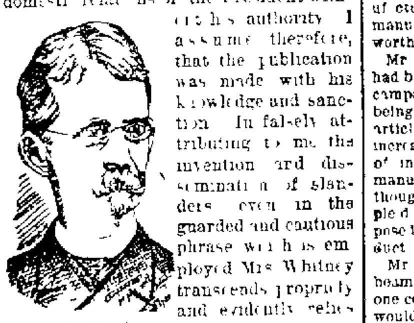
Mrs Whitney Again Interviewed on the Subject—Mr Depew's Position in the Matter—Congressional

WASHINGTON Dec 12—Senator Ingalls yesterday made the following statement concerning the [illegible] tion of Mrs Whitney that he had circulated stories of domestic infelicity at the White House

"The social leader of the Administration," said Mr Ingalls, "deliberately and the wife of a Cabinet Minister would hardly consent to a formal interview upon a subject so delicate and personal as the domestic relations of the President with [illegible] authority I assume therefore, that the publication was made with his knowledge and sanction In falsely attributing to me the invention and dissemination of slanders even in the guarded and cautious phrase which is employed Mrs Whitney transcends propriety and evidently relies upon the prerogatives of her sex for immunity The man who made such a statement directly or by inference would be required to prove it or to retract I have never been their bitter or vindictive against the President Politically I have been opposed to him and [illegible] opinions have not been [illegible] the *North American* [illegible] the New York *Sun* in [illegible]



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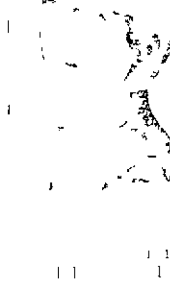

[illegible] obtain [illegible] patriot [illegible] an indelible [illegible] test [illegible] much [illegible] cares to [illegible] open to [illegible] com [illegible] to obtain a certificate [illegible] character and to prove by the testimony of expert that he is faithful [illegible] and tender toward [illegible] wife [illegible] certainly [illegible]

Mr Whitney [illegible] the following [illegible] I think [illegible] anything [illegible] denial [illegible] them now will do far more than anything I have said to crush them [illegible] into the dirt whence they came Please say also that what I said was without communication with, and without the knowledge of any one I take the responsibility alone and I am glad I did, for the letters I receive show that it was high time some one spoke"

FIFTIETH CONGRESS

(Second Session)

SENATE.

WASHINGTON Dec 11—A resolution of Mr Cockrell's was adopted, calling on the Secretary of War for an account of the expenditures by General Hancock in entertaining the French officers on the occasion of the Yorktown celebration, and whether any of this money had been refunded to him or his estate

The Senate passed a bill for the relief of the Erie Railway Company

Mr Frye's resolution for the investigation of the Samoan question was reported and agreed to

At 12 40 p m the Senate resumed consideration of the Tariff bill the pending amendment being that of Mr Harris to reduce the duty on beams girders etc

Mr Vest referred to Mr Sherman's speech of yesterday and denied the assertion that the late election had settled the question of tariff legislation The election might be a triumph of the protective principle but he denied that it was an endorsement of the Senate substitute Mr Vest then attempted to contravene the statement made yesterday by Mr Sherman that on the metal schedule there was a reduction of ten per cent duty in the substitute

Mr Aldrich said that on a large number of items in the metal schedule there was a reduction fully equal to or in excess of ten per cent

Mr Vest read a letter from a St Louis hardware company protesting against the proposed rates on knives and guns He spoke of the Steel Beam Trust and said that Mr Carnegie made more than a million dollars on thirty thousand tons of steel beams

Mr Aldrich said that the average cost of making steel beams at the Trenton Iron works was more than $40 a ton or double the cost in Belgium the difference consisting in the wages of labor

Mr Vest denounced the steel trust in an extended speech He asked how American manufacturers managed to compete with British manufacturers in Canada and sell $46 000 000 worth of goods a year

Mr Gorman said that the Senate substitute had been framed in the midst of a presidential campaign and for political purposes Its object being a reduction of taxation on two or three articles principally sugar and tobacco and an increase on all other products for the purpose of increasing unduly the profits of certain manufacturing interests in the North He thought that one cent per pound would be ample duty on steel beams but that the rate proposed by Mr Harris would be too great a reduction

Mr Allison said that he thought the steel beam people could get along with a duty of one cent a pound and at some proper time he would be glad to offer that amendment He did not think the bill immaculate and disclaimed any desire to put it through on party lines or for party purposes He thought some of the rates proposed too low and some too high

Mr Gorman—I am very glad at this day to have that statement from the Senator from Iowa We all understand why this Senate substitute was framed You [referring to the Republicans] carried the country It was well and magnificently done on your part, but now that your party has succeeded it is the height of unwisdom to insist on these unduly high rates If the Senator is convinced that his bill [illegible] perfect why not commit the bill and [illegible] that is somewhat perfect We will go to the country again on this subject [illegible] that [illegible] will be able to show that protection to American industry to the full extent of providing for the difference in cost of labor [illegible] between [illegible] but that the [illegible] the [illegible] people here and elsewhere [illegible] that [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Mr Vest [illegible]

[illegible] on Mr Harris' amendment to reduce the duty on [illegible] beams from 1 10 cents pound or [illegible] cent per pound The amendment was rejected—yeas 20 nays 29 All the votes of Republican Senators were in the negative and with them voted Senators McPherson and Payne Mr Gorman did not vote at all

Mr Vest then moved to fix the rate on steel beams etc at 1 cent per pound

Mr Allison assented [illegible] that on the part of the Finance committee [illegible] that he had been instructed to offer this amendment and would have done so if he had been recognized by the chair

The amendment was agreed to without a division [illegible] beams [illegible] per pound

[illegible] Mr Vance to reduce [illegible] three cents [illegible] was after discussion rejected [illegible] of Mr Allison the [illegible] without definite action

[illegible] Mr Jones (Ark) to [illegible] Senators [illegible] Vance or [illegible] It was not supposed [illegible] session and [illegible]

HOUSE

The House to day [illegible] the Direct Tax bill

Mr Hopkins (Ill) supported the bill and opposed the cotton tax amendment He contended that the tax was [illegible] as contemplated by the constitution It had been paid by the consumers in the Northern States as well as by the producers in the South. He presented a comparative table to show that the declaration of the Southern members that their section was borne down by internal revenue taxation was incorrect.

Mr Allen (Miss) said that the principle of the bill might be applied to the distiller who evaded the tax on whisky The logic of the bill was that if the Government found that one distiller had not paid the tax it should be refunded to those who had paid it If Congress was going into the business of righting the wrongs of the past, he wished to call attention to the cotton tax. He pictured the condition of the South when the Confederate soldiers returned to their homes It was "a condition and not a theory that had confronted them" [Laughter] The cotton tax amounted to one fourth of the value of the cotton while it did not enhance its price one cent He gave notice of an amendment to constitute to cotton tax fund an educational fund for the States which had paid it.

Mr Seney (O) said the bill would take seventeen million dollars out of the treasury An examination of the facts of the case would show that the disloyal States would receive their portion of the money

Mr Buckalew (Pa) made a brief argument against the bill

He was followed by Mr Elliott (S C) who favored the bill and said that in Beaufort S C they collected a tax of $11,000 where cotton property valued at $5,700,000 had been sold

Mr Herbert (Ala) said that the bill was unconstitutional and unjust It would pay to the State of Maine sixty five cents and to the State of Nebraska but one and one half cents per capita

Mr Grosvenor (O) said that a direct tax was an unpopular tax and one which should only be resorted to in an emergency In 1861 such an emergency existed, and the people of the loyal States had paid the tax and raised the money to save the people of the South from their folly—he would not say crime because he did not wish to rake the smouldering embers Out of the common fund raised by the tax it was proposed to withdraw what the loyal States had put in and to leave the South without its record of defalcation If the seventeen million dollars raised by that tax had crushed the rebellion destroyed slavery restored the Constitution, who were most benefitted by it? The men who paid the money or the men who were to day honorable members of the great family of States Underlying this proposition was the great fact that the passage of the bill would put the people of the country where equity said that they ought to stand It was a step towards the complete reunion of the hearts of the people of the country

Mr Whiting (Mich) opposed the bill

Mr Enloe (Tenn) declared that the bill was sustained neither by law nor by precedent and denounced it as a subterfuge and a fraud

Mr Dibble (S C) stated that it was a mistake to suppose that the State of South Carolina was in default in regard to the direct tax As a matter of fact more than its quota had been paid in He thought that the refunding of the tax was a thoroughly constitutional and equitable proposition

Pending further debate the committee rose, and the House, at five o clock adjourned

FOREIGN NEWS.

England

PROPOSED SOUVENIR TO MRS PHELPS

LONDON Dec 12—Lady Salisbury is heading a movement to present Mrs Phelps, wife of the American Minister a souvenir of her stay in London prior to her departure, which will be made necessary by the forthcoming change in the political complexion of the American Government

DIPLOMATIC RATHER THAN WARLIKE

LONDON Dec 12—The statement published in the *Star* that Sir Charles Warren is going to Suakim is denied by the officials at the War Office but the announcement is nevertheless believed to be true His mission however is a political rather than a military one and this fact explains the War Office denials

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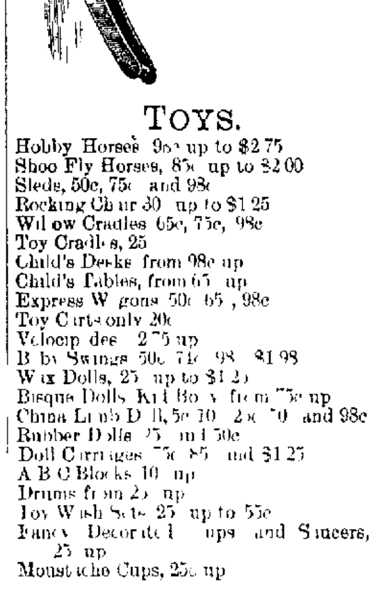
Plain and Fancy Napkin Rings, from 10c up to $1 2
Salt and Pepper, Extra Plate, 25 and 35c each
Parlor Stand Lamps, all complete, 85c up.
Crystal Tea Sets from 48c up
Water Sets, 5 glasses, pitcher and tray, 98c.
Fruit Saucers, from 3c up.
Fancy Water Pitcher, from 25c up
Bead Vases from 15c up to $1 98
Silver Mugs, 48c up to $1 48



TOYS.

Hobby Horses 95c up to $2 75
Shoo Fly Horses, 85c up to $2 00
Sleds, 50c, 75c and 98c
Rocking Chair 30 up to $1 25
Willow Cradles 65c, 75c, 98c
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A B C Blocks 10 up
Drums from 25 up
Toy Wash Sets 25 up to 55c
Fancy Decorated Cups and Saucers, 25 up
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WHEAT—104 [illegible] Feb, 110 [illegible] May
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OATS—26 [illegible] Dec 29 [illegible] May.
PORK—$13 47 [illegible] May.
LARD—$8 1 [illegible] May
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Nov 21-dtf

LOCAL NEWS.

Cuff and collar boxes at Irwin's.

If you want a Watch see Peake & Son

Cabinet photo's $1.75 per dozen from now until after the holidays at Haws' Gallery. 8-d&w1w

A good many people will probably come in from adjoining towns to hear the Jinglers Friday night. Two noted lady vocalists have been added to company.

Use the premium family flour, the White Loaf brand made by the Shellabarger company.

W. A. Combs has put a new register on the office counter at the European Hotel, south of this office. It starts off well. The "Pair of Kids" agent was the first to decorate the book with his autograph.

W. W. Sh[illegible] is permanently located [in] Opera block, North Water street, and [has a] splendid line of the best watches, [illegible] diamonds and elegant jewelry for the regular and holiday trade, to which he invites the attention of the [public]. Give him a call. 11-d2w

The social committee will please meet immediately after prayer meeting in the [lecture room] of the First M. E. church [this] evening. A full attendance is requested. By order of president.

100 TICKETS must yet be sold by [Fri]day night. Will you take one?

See the Old Ivory goods (in new and beautiful styles) Collar and Cuff, Manicure, Handkerchief, Comb and Brush sets at the City Book Store.
Dec 12-d&wtf J. H. Bevans.

The meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the First M. E. Church held last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Condell was well attended. It was an unusually interesting [meeting]. Thoughtful papers on [illegible] work were read by Miss Aikin [illegible] Mrs. Milton Johnson [illegible] collection was taken up.

[illegible] solid comfort buy one of [illegible] heaters sold by Lytle [illegible].

[illegible] Dinner! Meets for Dis[illegible] In the Lecture Room of the First M. E. Church, Friday, Dec. 14. [illegible] all you can eat for 35c. Don't [forget] the date. Dinner from 11 until 2.

This morning eight course tickets for the Goodman band concerts were sold by Joe Penwell in the general offices of the Terre Haute & Peoria road. Nothing [illegible] about the T. H. & P. They dote on music, and stand by Decatur's prize [band].

The Snow.

Eight inches of snow fell at Quincy [this] morning. Just a little spitting at Decatur. The cars came in from the west [illegible] decorated with "the beautiful."

Special to Gas Consumers.

When any of our customers are annoyed with "poor light," which they suppose [comes] from "poor gas," they should notify the company at the office, 124 North Water street, (Warren & Durfee,) when [prompt] inspection will be made to ascertain the cause, so that the remedy may [be] applied.

The difficulty in every instance will be found in an OBSTRUCTED PRESSURE, either [in] pipes or burners, as the gas itself [is] under constant photometric test, and [is] furnished to the consumer at *full standard* [illegible] *power*, hence it is the desire of the company that every consumer [should] have the *benefit of the best* without [illegible].
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[Worn] wasted cheeks may have all the plumpness and bloom of health through your use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. This time-honored remedy still leads the van. It improves digestion, purifies the blood, and invigorates the system. Give [it a] trial.

Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1:15 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Secretary Decatur Grain Co.:

Wheat—104⅜ Dec; 105⅝ Jan; 106¼ Feb; 110⅝ May.
Corn—34⅛ Dec; 34⅝ Jan; 35⅛ Feb; 3[illegible]⅜ May.
Oats—26⅜ Dec; 26⅛ Jan; 26⅞ Feb; 2[illegible] May.
Pork—$13.47 Dec; $13.52 Jan; 13.92 May.
Lard—$8.10 Dec; $8.00 Jan; $8.07 May.
Ribs—$7.10 Dec; $7.02 Jan; $7.15 May.
Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs [illegible]; prospects steady.
Cattle, 11,000; prospects, slow.
Car Lots—Wheat: Winter, 17; Spring, [illegible]; Corn, 344; Oats, 190.

Cutters and bob-sleds for sale at Spencer & Lehman's. nov22d&w6w

CHAT AROUND TOWN.

What the People are Talking About Jotted Down in Brief.

The "Man About Town" hears a great many things which do not go into print. It is not necessary to go into details and specify what they are. Were the stories and occurences all noted there would not only be many heart-aches but times no doubt would be exceedingly lively for somebody in the community.

I am told that Decatur will send her share of representatives to the state capital in January, mostly applicants for places in the state house; but of course all cannot get to the front. Jobs are generally given to those who are unable to do manual labor, and these men will have the advantage over other applicants. Other cities will also have their share of delegates in this line on the ground.

Attorney J. J. Finn was in high spirits the other day. He and his associate, Thomas Lee, had just won another lawsuit, and "Jim" remarked: "What do you think of that? We have had fifteen cases within a few days and we have won every one of them." Pretty good work that, but I reckon the attorneys happened to be on the right side every time.

I was told by a Republican last evening that he favored a new plan of operations in city politics next spring. It is this: He would have meetings held in every ward to nominate straight Republican candidates for aldermen, said meetings to select delegates to the Republican city convention which shall name the candidates for Mayor, attorney, clerk and engineer. There is meat in the suggestion.

Dr. Alexander, the hog cholera man, is always on the alert for cholera cases. He has his factory in full blast in Decatur, established without a bonus from the "Board of Trade," and he tells me he is doing well. Doc is sure death to hog cholera.

You don't hear much talk about the new Union depot Decatur is going to get. No, not any to speak of, simply because nothing can be done now until spring, when the blue birds sing and the flowers bloom, tra la! But, nevertheless, the depot is on the list, and we'll get it if we are gritty and keep up our righteous howl. Every time you see one of the Illinois Central officials, such as Manager Jeffrey, give him a song about the wretched accommodations at Decatur. It is believed by those in a position to know that the final plans for the structure have been drawn and that the Central folks will actually commence breaking ground in the early spring, but so long as the old shell stands we can kick. Let us continue to kick.

The base ball cranks are beginning to stir again, even in Decatur. If all Decatur were cranks over the national game, and could knock off work two or three afternoons each week during the ball season, and not feel the loss of time, and quarters, the sport would boom in our city, but as we are not all cranks, past experience proves that a high priced club [illegible] for a town the size of Decatur will not pay in the city. That's one of the reasons why we played out early last season, though Jonah Hurley certainly queered the business from the start. I don't think Decatur is going to get into the new league. But there is no telling what the irrepressible cranks will do. The meeting to form the proposed league is in progress at Springfield today.

Got Twenty-Eight Years.

Judge Foulk sentenced Charles F. Henderson to the penitentiary for 28 years at Taylorville yesterday, for doping horses. Henderson is a veterinary surgeon, and on the night of Nov. 3d, while a political meeting was in progress and a great many horses were tied on the back streets, he perpetrated the crime by injecting sulphuric acid and croton oil into about 50 of them. Six died in great agony, and others are maimed and marked for life. The evidence causing his arrest was wholly circumstantial, but when brought into court he made a full confession of his guilt.

A Strong Combination.

The Jinglers Concert Company, who sing at the opera house Friday night, is a combination of a number of the finest colored jubilee singers before the public. G. L. Conley, the "shouting tenor," made a tour of Europe with Callender's minstrels; G. L. Walley, the "lion bass," has sung all over this country with the Nashville Students and other companies; Miss Neal Hawkins and Miss Kittie Brown, who have been added to the company recently, were leading members of the Nashville Students, and "Dayton's Ideals," J. A. Porter and Burke Dozier have also sung with the Nashville and Hampton Students.

HEADQUARTERS

For Christmas Furniture is at Dustman & Marcott's.

Rockers, Chairs, Centre Tables, Secretaries, Sideboards, Hall Trees, Chamber and Parlor Suits, in great variety, and every other article in the Furniture line to make glad the hearts of your friends. Call and see them. dec12-d2w

Ten Cents Admission.

The fair and festival at the First M. E. Church on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week will be a novel and entertaining affair. 10 cents admission at the door. 11-d3

Hereafter all my classes will meet in the W. C. T. Room, Roberts & Greene's building. The singers of the city are invited to visit my choral class on Tuesday evening, 11th inst., and all interested in singing by note to my sight singing class on Thursday evening, the 13th inst. Come and see the class of music used and work done. L. L. Crosthwait. 10-d1

Cutters and bob-sleds for sale at Spencer & Lehman's. nov22d&w6w

MEAL DUST THIS TIME.

The City by the Lake Visited by Another Awful Explosion.

Several Persons Instantly Killed and Horribly Mangled—Many Miraculous Escapes From Death.

Fierce Flames Envelop the Wreck and Give the Fire Laddies a Tough Morning's Job.

A Brave Man's Heroic Rescue of Helpless Women and Children Though Severely Burned Himself.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Three men are known to have been killed, one fatally injured and a number of people badly bruised and shaken up by an explosion of meal dust, which completely wrecked the three-story building on North Halstead street, occupied by David Oliver as an oat-meal mill, yesterday morning. Several adjoining buildings were also badly shattered. The explosion, which occurred shortly after two o'clock, was a terrible one, the shock being felt a mile away. The buildings in the immediate vicinity were bombarded with flying bricks and timbers, and nearly every pane of window-glass within a radius of six blocks was badly smashed. Almost before the rumble of the explosion died away, flames sprang up from the wrecked mill, and the whole place was ablaze in a few minutes. The fire spread with incredible rapidity, and when the first fire companies reached the scene they found a block of roaring flames to contend with. A general alarm was at once turned in. Engines were stationed at every available point around the blazing patch, and buildings that did not take fire at the outset were saved by the hardest kind of work. Sparks carried through the air by the wind ignited buildings two blocks away, and for half an hour the firemen had all they could do to prevent half a dozen serious conflagrations. The streets were filled with debris for a block on every side of the burned patch, and this seriously obstructed the firemen in their work. They stumbled over boards and timbers and debris until their clothes were torn, their hands and faces cut and their limbs so badly stiffened that they could scarcely walk. It was nearly two hours before the flames were under control. When the fire was at its height the wildest rumors prevailed regarding the loss of life. It was known that four men had been at work in the meal-mill and about twenty in the planing-mill next door. Besides these, the neighboring houses contained many men, women and children. At one time it was asserted that twenty people had perished, but later this estimate was found to be greatly exaggerated. The men at work in the planing-mill all made their escape—a few of them badly hurt, but the majority only slightly injured.

Hundreds of men searched anxiously for the missing millers, and after some time one of them, John Holmes, was found lying in an alley, across the street from the mill, terribly burned and lacerated. He was working in the second story of the mill when the explosion occurred, and was hurled through a window and across the street. He can not live. No trace could be found of the other three men, Charles Miller, Charles Cooper and John Smith, and it is believed that their bodies are buried in the debris. The firemen are hopeful that no more lives were lost, but people living in the vicinity of the explosion are sure that more bodies will be found when the debris is explored. This can not be done thoroughly for several hours yet. Persons who were asleep in the buildings adjacent to the wrecked mill were blown clear out of their beds by the force of the explosion and most of them were more or less injured by the terrific bombardment of bricks and other debris.

Charles Murphy occupied rooms over the saloon at the corner of Fulton and Halstead streets, with his family, consisting of his wife, two children and mother. They were all in bed and asleep when the explosion occurred. The force of the concussion rocked the house from side to side and all members of Murphy's family were thrown violently from their beds upon the floor or against the walls. Within an instant the house was enveloped in flames, and the cries of the dazed occupants reached the people on street. Charles Blen was among the spectators, and upon hearing the cries from the Murphy rooms rushed into the building at the risk of his life and carried out the women and children, making three trips into the burning house. Murphy was so dazed that he was almost unable to get out of the house. All were secured without serious injury. Blen was badly scorched and bruised.

The inmates of Henge's boarding-house across the street, and Charles McCormick and his wife who reside next door, escaped from the shattered buildings with great difficulty, several of them being badly bruised, and all losing their personal effects.

The losses will aggregate about $150,000. The loss on the mill is about $75,000, Jacob Press' planing-mill, loss about $50,000, and it is estimated that the other losses will be $25,000.

A battalion of twenty firemen and one hundred volunteers are at work clearing away the debris.

Ernest Casper, one of the three known to be dead, was working in the cupola at the time of the explosion. The cupola was lifted almost entire and thrown a distance of sixty feet upon the south side of the street. The mutilated form of Casper is somewhere under the wreck.

John Christensen, the kilnman, is the second known victim. His body has not been found, and he may have been blown some distance by the force of the explosion.

Charles Miller, the engineer, is also buried under the mass of debris, and it is thought that his body will be found near the boiler.

David Oliver, proprietor, and Peter McKimmey, manager of the mill, were on the ground early this morning, but as yet have been unable to learn positively the cause of the explosion. Each thinks that oatmeal dust may have caused it, but the terrific force is unprecedented, if this theory be adopted. No other reasonable explanation is offered, however, and the explosion of the dust is accepted until a better reason can be found.

A vast crowd surrounded the ruins. For a distance of a mile in some directions, plate-glass windows were shattered and buildings violently jostled by the terrific force of the explosion.

LATER.

About half-past ten o'clock yesterday morning the excavating party discovered the body of a man which was supposed to be that of Engineer Miller. The corpse was found on the north driveway of the mill, and was covered with about three feet of debris. The lower part of the body was covered with bruises and burns, and the face was managed so that it could not be recognized. The unfortunate man had evidently been blown from the engine-room, clear to the driveway. The boilers have been uncovered and are intact, which disposes of the theory that they had exploded. The police say there is no evidence of the use of dynamite, and it is now considered certain that mill dust was the material exploded.

All the buildings were damaged to some extent. A wagon factory adjoining the mill was crushed beneath the falling walls. The windows and doors were blown out of a bakery and a saloon across the street. A large brick building at the corner of Green and Fulton streets, a block distant, occupied by the Chicago White Lead Company, was badly shaken, and many barns, sheds and houses near the mill had roofs caved in by falling masses of bricks and iron. For blocks around in all directions window glass was shivered into atoms. A large new unoccupied building over a block south of the mill, erected for the use of manufacturing companies and furnished with windows ten by fifteen feet in size, was terribly shaken. The lower windows, casings and all, were thrown upon the sidewalk by the recoil from the explosion. Panes of glass on the third, fourth and fifth stories were cracked and broken. The noise made by the explosion was so great that people a mile away were awakened and ran out upon the street in their night clothes. At the Desplaines Street Station, three blocks away, the sleeping officers were all awakened and one of them was thrown from his bed. An iron bunk was overturned.

Another body, that of Ernest Casper, has been found in the ruins.

Sales of Real Estate.

Mary A. Cool and L. S. Cool to J. J. Buckingham, lot 12, block 3, Montgomery & Shull's addition, $175.

L. S. and Mary A. Cool to J. J. Buckingham, lot 9, block 3, Montgomery & Shull's addition, $250.

George D. Moore to John S. Lowe, south half lot 18, of west half of the southwest quarter section 2, 18, 2, $275.

Franklin Priest to John M. Underwood, quit claim to lots 9 and 10, block 2, Smith & Co.'s addition, $20.

It will pay you to stop and look at the show windows of the City Book Store, then step inside and see the fine display on the tables. Come and welcome, even if not ready to buy now.
Dec 12-d&wtf J. H. Bevans.

It will be Good to Eat.

The ladies of the First M. E. Church will serve dinner at 35 cents and supper in the evening, Friday, Dec. 14th. Be on hand at that time. Admission, 10 cents, both evenings. 8-d6

Holiday Excursions.

The Peoria, Decatur & Evansville R'y wishes all its patrons a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, and desiring that they shall be able to visit their friends will make excursion rates of one and one third fare for the round trip between all its stations. Tickets to be sold Dec. 24th, 25th and 31st and Jan. 1st, good to return until Jan. 3d. For further information call on any agent of the company.
dec12-d E. O. Hopkins, G. P. A.

FOR RENT, FOR SALE, WANTED &c.

[Notices in this column, of five lines or less will be inserted one week for 25 cents, payable in advance.]

LOST—On the night of December 6, at some point between 618 West Prairie street and Lincoln Square, a gold watch, with the monogram "J. M. M." engraved on the outside of the case and on the inside "From Aunt Nellie to Jesse Moore, Aug. 21, 1888." The finder will receive $25 reward by leaving the watch with the owner, Jesse Moore, at 618 West Prairie street. 8-d6

WANTED—By a boy nearly 16, a place in a family, store or office, where he can make himself useful for the winter. Call on or address 525 Front St., shoe shop. 7-d6*

LOST—Between the Gallagher Building on Water street and Pine street, on Thursday evening, a breastpin containing three diamonds set in buttercups. Finder will please return to 219 Pine street and receive a reward.
dec7-d6* ANNA HILL.

LOST—On the street, the top part of an agate sleeve button, with a white curved stripe across the centre. The finder will be rewarded by returning it to JAMES C. LAKE. 7-d6*

LOST—At or between the Union depot and Pine street, on line of street railway, Tuesday night, a black moire silk sash. The finder will please return to 219 Pine St. and be suitably rewarded. ANNA HILL. dec6-d6*

L. L. CROSTHWAIT, Teacher of Singing and Elocution. W. C. T. U. ROOMS, Roberts & Greene Building. Chorus Class, Tuesday evening; Sight Singing Class, Thursday evening, both at 7:30; Elocution Class, Tuesdays and Fridays, 3:30 p. m. Private lessons in Elocution and Voice Culture at any time. nov27-dtf

BARRETT, at 704 N. Church Street, will repair your house, fence, build your porch, or do anything in the line of carpentering. Good work at all times with promptness. nov15-dtf

WANTED—You are wanted to call and buy Second hand Cooking and Heating Stoves. A large assortment at low prices. HARRY FISK, Court House Block. oct24-dtf

FOR SALE—A second-hand stove, almost as good as new, for half price, at the Furniture Exchange, one door east of BACHMAN BROS., at 218 East Main Street. dtf

WANTED—Agents at the "Istitutiisuited" Art Studio. $15.00 per week and expenses paid to the right party. Call or address "Istitutiisuited" Art Studio Decatur, Ill. mar31-d&wtf

Choice Residence Property FOR SALE.

My late residence at 319 South Broadway is offered for sale on easy terms. The lot is 100x150 feet, house of nine rooms, with as many closets, all well finished and in good repair. Well with new pump, cistern with pump in kitchen, good cellar, barn and carriage house, some fruit on lot and elegant shade trees.
d&wtf J. R. MOSSER.

MONEY to loan in large and small amounts. Loans made on live stock, farm implements, or household goods. All classes of loans negotiated on short notice. Loans on farms and city business property at 6 per cent. interest. Apply to A. T. SUMMERS, over New York Store. July 16d&wtf

Administrator's Final Settlement.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY. }

In County Court, January Term, 1889.

To the Heirs and all persons interested in the estate of Madison Turpin, deceased:

Notice is hereby given to you that I will present a final report to the Probate Court of said county on Monday, January 7th, 1889, being the first day of said January Term, of my acts and doings as the administrator of the estate of said Madison Turpin, deceased, and ask to be discharged as such administrator, at which time and place you may be present and take such action as you deem proper.

CHARLES M. FLETCHER,
dec11d2w Administrator.

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Oct. 30-i6m

Publication Notice in Attachment.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY. }

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1889.

Louis Wyler, Edward Wyler, Isaac Wyler, William Ackerland and Max Ackerland, partners, doing business under the firm name and style of Wyler, Ackerland & Co., vs. Michael Grady. Attachment. No 13,221.

Public notice is hereby given to the said Michael Grady, that a writ of attachment issued out of the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon county, dated the second day of November, A. D. 1888, at the suit of the said above named plaintiffs and against the lands, goods, chattels, rights, moneys, credits and effects of the said defendant, Michael Grady, for the sum of sixteen hundred sixty-two and seventy-five one hundredths dollars ($1662 75), directed to the Sheriff of Macon county.

Now, therefore, unless you, the said defendant, Michael Grady, shall personally be and appear before the said Circuit Court of Macon county, on or before the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at the Court House in the city of Decatur, on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1889, give bail and plead to the said plaintiffs' action, judgment will be entered against you and in favor of the said plaintiffs and so much of the lands, goods, chattels, rights, moneys, credits and effects attached as may be sufficient to satisfy the said judgment and costs will be sold to satisfy the same.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

JOHNS & RANDOLPH, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY, }

In the Circuit Court—To the January Term, A. D. 1889.

William H. Brownlee vs. Hetty Brownlee.

Public notice is hereby given to Hetty Brownlee that William H. Brownlee, plaintiff in the above entitled cause, has filed his bill of complaint in said Circuit Court of Macon county against said Hetty Brownlee, that a summons has been issued against said Hetty Brownlee by the Clerk of said Court, returnable on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1889, into said Court at the court house in Decatur, Illinois, which suit is still pending and undetermined, at which time and place you can appear and plead, answer, or demur, else said bill will be taken as confessed against you. E. McCLELLAN,

Clerk of Circuit Court of Macon Co., Ill.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY, }

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1889.

The Phelps, Dodge, Palmer Co. vs. George W. Cowles.

Public notice is hereby given to the said defendant, George W. Cowles, that a writ of attachment issued out of the office of the Clerk of the circuit court of said Macon county, dated the 28th day of April, A. D. 1888, at the suit of the above named plaintiffs, Phelps, Dodge and Palmer Co., and against the lands, goods, chattels, rights, moneys, credits and effects of you, the said defendant, George W. Cowles, for the sum of two hundred and fifty-five and 80-100ths dollars, directed to the Sheriff of Macon county to execute; which suit is now pending in the circuit court of Macon county, and said writ has been returned executed by levy on real estate in Macon county, to-wit: Lot number twelve (12) in block number two (2) in E. B. Durfee's first addition to the city of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois. Now, therefore, unless you the said defendant, George W. Cowles, shall personally be and appear before the said circuit court of Macon county at said January term, to be holden at the court house in the city of Decatur, beginning on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1889, give bail and plead within the time limited for your appearance in such case, judgment will be rendered against you and in favor of the plaintiffs, and so much of the land attached as may be sufficient to satisfy said judgment and cost will be sold to satisfy the same.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

J. H. McCOY, Attorney for Plaintiffs.

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BLONDIN, THE ROPE WALKER.

He Discusses His "High Art" and Tells Some Experiences.

A rope walker is like a poet, born and not made. I myself began to toddle along a rope when I was only 4 years old, and in my 8th year I gave a special exhibition on the high rope before the king at Turin. It is a usual thing, no doubt, for the apprentices in a circus to be taught rope walking among their other lessons, but only a few of them ever get beyond the rudiments of the art. The usual system of teaching is to make the pupil walk along a narrow board the width of which is daily decreased until it is barely thicker than an ordinary rope. Posturing and the assumption of graceful attitudes are taught in this manner, and finally the pupil is introduced to the rope itself.

The apparatus which a leading rope walker uses appears in the public eyes to be simple enough, but in reality it has to be constructed and arranged with the greatest of care. The rope I generally use is found with a flexible core of steel wire covered with the best Manilla hemp, and is about an inch and three-quarters in diameter. It is several hundred yards in length, and the cost may be $500. The rope is coiled from either end on two large windlasses, and when supported by two high poles the windlasses are turned until the rope is stretched perfectly taut. It takes me, as a rule, several days to adjust this simple apparatus to perfection. The balancing pole is made of ash, is about twenty-six feet long and weighs some forty or fifty pounds.

I am often asked as to my sensations when walking the rope; but if by that is meant whether I feel fear or nervousness, I must answer decidedly in the negative. When walking I look some eighteen or twenty feet ahead of me, and whistle softly or hum a snatch of a song, as the humor may seize me. I also invariably keep time in my step to the music the band is playing, and I find that helps me wonderfully in preserving my balance. With my own weight and that of the balancing pole there must be about 230 pounds bearing on the rope, which naturally gives considerably, this sagging being one of the chief difficulties we have to encounter in keeping our balance. I prefer to perform in the open air.

Nowadays I never practice, and even my most difficult tricks, such as turning a somersault over a chair placed in the middle of the rope and landing with my feet on the other side of it, are usually performed without premeditation, just as the whim seizes me. This enables me without effort to vary my programmes at every performance, and prevents them from becoming monotonous to me. I could remain a year or even longer without ever setting foot on a rope and then go on and tread it as safely as though I had been in constant practice.

If I myself do not feel nervous, I am afraid the many persons I have carried on my back across the rope have felt a trifle perturbed, save when they have been professional assistants. In reality there is nothing in the world for them to be afraid of. All they have to do is to sit perfectly still, refrain from clutching me too tightly around the neck, and leave the rest to me. When I am carrying any one over for the first time I chat to him continuously on any indifferent subjects I can think about, and try in this manner to relieve his anxiety, and I always caution him against looking downward when in mid air. Somehow, though, he never seems quite happy, and I always detect a gasp of relief when the end of the rope and the platform are reached. More than once the victim has devoutly exclaimed: "Never again!"

My well known trip over Niagara falls was doubtless productive of nervousness to those gentlemen whom I carried over on my back, and for myself it was one of the experiences of my life. I was elevated some 150 feet above the torrent, and had to walk a distance of nearly 1,200 feet. The rope itself was unlike that which I use at the present time. It was formed entirely of hemp, and was about three inches in thickness, and its adjustment in place was, in its way, quite an engineering feat. The rope cost several thousand dollars, and remained in position for nearly two years. I have walked across enveloped in a sack made of blankets, have wheeled a barrow across, turned somersaults, cooked a dinner, and, as I have said, carried a man over on my back. It is doubtful whether I shall ever repeat this performance.—New York Star.

Nothing but Limburger.

Occasionally harrowing sights of the sufferings of the survivors of shipwrecks are published, and it makes one's blood run cold to hear of people out for days in an open boat with only two crackers and a bucket of water to a man, and as the days pass by, and no friendly sail comes in sight, the rations are reduced to one cracker and two buckets of water, and at last lots are drawn to decide as to which of the party is in the best condition, etc. But all these stories pale into insignificance compared to the sufferings of Capt. Stott and the crew of the steamer Rowena, who got aground on Lake river lately while after a raft of piling. They were fast in the mud for four days with nothing to eat but Limburger cheese. What their sufferings were no pen can describe.—Portland Oregonian.

He Keeps a Scrap Book.

I hear from Rome that the German emperor only looks to advantage on foot. He "sits low," the backbone being short. With this the legs are long. His figure, therefore, is an ungraceful one for riding, the knees advancing far toward the horse's head, and the legs and thighs forming an acute angle. He has given up wine and beer drinking, does not eat much and absorbs quantities of tea. His face was worn and showed fatigue when he was in Italy. Every morning and evening packets of papers were placed on a desk in his sitting room. He glanced over all that was about himself, and when he had done so paragraphs of which he was the subject were cut out by a secretary and pasted into a scrap book.—London Truth.

Horses on Snowshoes.

Snowshoes have been worn for years by horses on the Oroville and Quincy mail route during the winter months. It would be impossible for them to travel over the deep snows without their aid. A horse that is accustomed to wearing them will travel five and six miles an hour, where it would be impossible to go that distance in a week without them. The shoes are made of thin steel plate, about nine by eleven inches, fastened on the hoofs with clamps. The horses are shod with long heel corks which go through the snowshoes, and prevent their slipping going up and down hill.—Plumas National.

MAKING SHIRTS.

HOW THE WORK IS DONE IN THE PHILADELPHIA FACTORIES.

Nearly One Hundred Firms Engaged in the Business in That City—Division of Labor—Something Concerning the Wages Paid to Operatives.

At the time the "Song of the Shirt" was written, by working hard from early morn until late at night a woman could make one shirt. That was before the introduction of machinery and systems, and when the shirtmaker took home a bundle of linen and muslin pieces and brought back the garments, made and finished outright. Now, with the systems and machinery in vogue, from the time the material is cut until it leaves the finisher, it passes through the hands of sixteen persons, each of whom does a part toward preparing it for the manly bosom. This system is called team work, and each one in the team averages one dozen and a half of shirts in ten hours. Another method of making these garments is the one practiced in making up custom goods. In these places the bosoms are bought ready made, and with the remaining parts are given to the hands, who make them out and out. These women will make from four to eight a day of nine hours, and the average price for this work is $3 a dozen.

FROM START TO FINISH.

The materials of which shirts are made are linen, muslin, "backing," a coarse linen used in lining the bosom, percales, calicoes, flannels and P. K.'s, a species of worked bosom. In the large shirt factories, where the team system is practiced, the beginning of the work is the cutting. The material is laid out on long tables at times as many as sixty ply, the patterns are placed and with a pencil the marker sizes off each cut. He is followed by the cutters, who, with knives, separate the parts and these are tied into bundles and carried into another department where the operators are. Here the "forelady" distributes the parts to different girls—the bosoms to one who returns this part complete, the sleeve to another, the neck or collar bands to another, and the cuffs or wristbands to another. In preparing the bosoms, the pleats are folded by small girls with steel patterns the size of the plait required; from these girls it goes to the operator and then to the examiner, after which it is taken to a machine where the neck receives the proper slope, and now it is ready for the body of the shirt. In the meantime the body of the shirt has been making the rounds from the first girl who hems it to another who attends to the facings, and it is now ready for the bosom to be run on rough, from here another hand who stitches it down solid. The front and back are now joined by the other girl, and together they move on to the next place where the collar bands are put on. By this time the sleeves are ready and they are put in place.

Now the shirt is hemmed, and then it is taken hold of by another girl who is a "feller," and when her work is done the garment is ready for the finisher. This means placing the gussets, cutting and sewing the button holes and putting on the buttons, by which time it is ready for the laundry.

In this city ninety-five firms and individual employers are in the business. Most of those places are custom stores and employ but few people, but a number of them are extensive factories, and the capacity of a few is as high as 150 dozen shirts a day. So far as the manufacturer is concerned the business of shirt making has, during the past few years, not only held its own in this city, but it has received the benefit of the natural increase that comes to all branches of business, but fashion, during the past two years, has decreed that the white should, in a measure, give way to other colors and texture, and, as these are nearly all made outside of the city, the introduction of the flannel shirt has been a severe blow to the operators.

A TABLE OF WAGES.

The firms mentioned above employ a total of 2,250 hands, nine-tenths of whom are women. They are divided into the branches mentioned below, and the average wages for the year round are as annexed:

	Weekly.
Markers	$16 to $22
Cutters	12 to 15
Bosom hands	8 to 9
Facing hands	5 to 7
Runners in	6 to 8
Stitchers	5 to 7
Backmakers	5 to 7
Sleevemakers	5 to 7
Bandmakers	7 to 8
Tabmakers	7 to 8
Hemmers	5 to 7
Joiners	5 to 7
Neckbanders	5 to 7
Putting in sleeves	5 to 7
Seaming up	5 to 7
Felling	7 to 8
Finishing	3 to 5

The average day's work is nine hours, and there has been no material change in the wages for some years. In a few of the places the work is steady, and in such factories the wages are a trifle higher than those given above. With the exception of the marking, cutting and what is called the hand finishing, the work is all done by machinery. There is no apprentice system in any branch of the business except the cutting. When a girl begins work at this business she is paid from the beginning for what she does, but the machine she uses she must either rent or buy outright.

There is in some of these factories considerable child labor utilized, particularly in the department where the bosoms are made. The finer grades of this work are finished by hand, and while those who do this work are the real practical workers of the trade, it may be seen that their average earnings are much lower than those of any other branch. The reason of this is that large quantities of the work are sent to the House of the Good Shepherd, the Rosine home and other reformatory institutions, where it is done for much less money than is paid outside of those places.—Philadelphia Call.

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Publication Notice in Chancery.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
COUNTY OF MACON, }

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1889.

Maze Livingston, Complainant, vs. John H Thurston, Alice Thurston, Harvey Pasco, Harvey Pasco, Jr., Arthur Pasco, Goldie Pasco and Doma Spicer, Defendants.—In Chancery No. 13,174

Notice is hereby given to you, the said John H Thurston and Alice Thurston, defendants in the above entitled cause, that Maze Livingston, the complainant in said suit, has heretofore filed in said Court, on the Chancery side thereof, her bill of complaint against you, the said John H Thurston, Alice Thurston and the said other defendants above named, and that thereupon a summons in Chancery issued out of said Court in said cause against you, the said John H. Thurston, Alice Thurston and other defendants, returnable at the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county, on the first day of the September Term, A. D. 1888, of said Court, to wit, on the fourth Monday in the month of September, A. D. 1888, and that the said above entitled cause is still pending and undetermined in said Court.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk

WM T. CUSSINS, Complainant's Solicitor.

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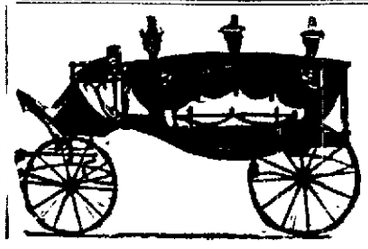

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A Wild Westerner Has a Heart as Well as Others of More Civilized Surroundings—Shedding Tears with a Comrade in Trouble.

Much has been written regarding cowboy life on the plains, and much of that writing has been so magnified that the unsophisticated are led to believe that the cowboy is a veritable terror, whose glory lies in riotous conduct and terminating the existence of fellow beings. Such belief is exceedingly erroneous, for, aside from many other noble traits, the cowboy has a heart as sympathetic as a female. This was demonstrated just the other day, when Long Tom Leiter and his gang were herding cattle about thirty miles to the north of this little place, in the region of the Musselshell river, writes a correspondent from Livingstone, M. T. Leiter is a New Yorker, and came to the northwest some years ago with his wife and mother. Every cow puncher on the plains knew "Aunt Mag," as Long Tom's mother was familiarly known. She always had a kind word for them, and her devout Christianity had won respect from every one who had ever struck Long Tom's ranch. Leiter's lengthy form had given him the sobriquet of Long Tom, and he had worked his way up from a common herder to captain of a gang.

"AUNT MAG'S DEAD."

One day he was in the vicinity of Musselshell with a heavy herd bound for Billings. Night was drawing near, and the boys had just got themselves ready to ride down the cattle and go into camp. Away to the west appeared a horseman heading for the herd. Although not more than fairly outlined as a horse, Long Tom knew the animal, an extra he had at the ranch.

"Some one's comin' on, Dick," he said; "there's sumthin' wrong tu home."

The horse drew nearer, and the rider was recognized as Leiter's wife. Bareheaded she galloped up and almost gasped for breath as she said, "Mother's dead!"

Long Tom's eyes fell, and as his hand threw his horse's mane under the bridle rein he called to his men that "Shorty Morton will take my place," and heading for home, his wife and himself were off at a gallop.

After the cattle had been ridden down for the night Morton, who had been assigned to take charge of the gang, called the men together. Morton comes from some place in Ohio near Hudson, in the Western reserve, and is a college graduate. The roaming life of the cowboy fascinated him, and he's discarded his diploma for a lariat.

"Boys," he said, "we've got to do something. Here's Tom out here away from civilization, with his mother dead, and Aunt Mag was a noble woman." His emotion choked back anything further he desired to say.

"Fellers," it was "Jersey Bill's" voice (nearly every man in the gang had a nickname), "Shorty's right. We've got to hev a decent buryin' for Aunt Mag. Some of us kin light out fer Billings an' git a coffin, an' we'll try an' fix things sum way."

A NIGHT RIDE WITH A COFFIN.

The suggestion met with favor, but Billings, the nearest point where a coffin was obtainable, was over twenty miles to the southeast. It was agreed to send there for a coffin. And at 9 o'clock that night "Jersey Bill" was tightening up the girth on his pony.

"I'll take Joe Kelly's pony with me to carry the coffin, and'll be back by sun up."

As he swung into the saddle his companions crowded around and pressed money into his hands.

"Get the best, Bill; Aunt Mag's worth it," was the parting admonition from his companions. All night that little crowd of cowboys sat around the fire and reluctantly took their turn at picket duty around the herd, as all were anxious to offer suggestions for Aunt Mag's funeral.

Dawn was just breaking when Jersey Bill showed up with a neat, cloth covered coffin, which was taken to Leiter's ranch at once. Long Tom was stunned, as he was just preparing to start on a mission similar to that of Jersey Bill. The remains of Aunt Mag were tenderly placed in the coffin by Mrs. Leiter and her husband.

That afternoon a burial took place—such a burial as seldom occurs. Willing hands had dug a grave on a knoll north of Leiter's cabin. The pastor, pall bearers and mourners were cowboys, and the sympathy there manifested came from deep down in the heart. Prior to depositing the coffined form of all that was mortal of Aunt Mag in the grave, Morton made brief remarks, eulogizing the good deeds of the deceased. Every head in the group that stood around the grave was uncovered and the lashes of every eye glistened with moisture. Drops of liquid crystal rolled down Jersey Bill's cheeks as he stooped over to aid in depositing the coffin in the grave. Although devoid of the pomp and formality of a funeral in the midst of civilization, no more sincere, sorrowing mourners ever gathered around a bier than the crowd of cowboys that laid Aunt Mag to rest.—Chicago Herald.

Current of the Sound.

One night about fifteen years ago Mason Clark had his schooner at anchor in Port Townsend bay. While he was sleeping the wind came up and loosened the vessel from its anchorage. It drifted all night, and in the morning he found himself lying quietly at the mouth of Campbell creek, in British waters, in front of Blaine. He had drifted sixty miles by wind and tide, and over that same course the largest ships can sail without a tow.

About seven or eight years ago one cold winter day John Geisher went abroad a sloop which belonged to Mr. Henspeter and was anchored in Birch bay. He raised the anchor with the intention of bringing the sloop ashore, when a strong east wind caught her and she became unmanageable, at least, to him, and so he floated about for several days on the gulf with no fire and nothing to eat but one raw goose, which he declared was delicious. He finally brought up in Nanaimo, on Vancouver Island, only about sixty miles from where he started. In just one week from the time the steamer Dispatch left him on board the sloop he was back in Semiahmoo, arriving on New Year's Day, much to the gratification of his friends, who had given him up for lost.—Blaine (W. T.) Journal.

One of the horses used on the stage line near Albany has a heavy mustache. People who have examined the horse and the remarkable growth of hair on its upper lip say they never saw anything to equal it.

Apt, Even if Inelegant

There is in Alburg at least one youngster who knows a fit subject for prayers when he meets it. He recently heard somebody use the expression, "gone sucker," and subsequently questioned his father as to the meaning of the term.

"Oh," said the father, "when anybody is hard up or awful sick folks sometimes say he is a 'gone sucker.'"

The boy took it all in and shortly afterward made a practical application of his newly acquired knowledge in behalf of his sick brother. Just before going to bed one night he knelt to say his prayers, as usual, and closed his petition thus:

"And, O Lord, bless Jimmy and make him well, for he is awfully sick, and if you don't I'm afraid he's a 'gone sucker.'"—St. Albans Messenger.

A Cautious Apothecary.

In writing out a prescription the other day a certain well known Pittsburg doctor wrote aqua fontis—that is, spring water—in place of the more customary but equivalent term, aqua pura.

The patient to whom this prescription was given took it to a druggist who had just gone into the business of putting up pills and potions. The new druggist ran through the prescription and handed it back, saying: "You take that prescription back to Dr. —— and tell him that he's put enough aqua fortis into that prescription to kill ten men."

Luckily for this village the druggist has retired from the prescription compounding field since then.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

A Good Fit.

The little son of Le Grand Abbey, of Ponckhockie uttered another bright saying yesterday. His mother is making plans for a Martha Washington party, and she made the remark that she would need the services of boys to represent states. Stephen said: "I want to be a state, mamma." "No, Stephen; you cannot represent Yankee Doodle. You are too small to be a state." "Oh, no, mamma; I want to be a state. I am big enough to represent Delaware."—Kingston Freeman.

A Passion for Mystery.

An American who has just returned from Spain says the infant king of that country has a passion for bologna sausage. It is not often that a love for the mysterious is developed in a child of such tender years.—Norristown Herald.

In Luck.

"How do you get along with your German, old man?"

"Pretty well. Since I caught this cold in my head my teacher says my pronounciation has improved rapidly."—New York World.

William Shakespeare turned out those marvelous plays of his with astonishing rapidity. Two and three and sometimes four in a year! Thirty-six in all, in about twelve years, managing one or more theatres also and acting at times.

The candles used by the Romans were composed of string surrounded by wax or pitch. Splinters of wood fatted were used by the English lower classes about 1300.

Cold sliced potatoes fry and taste better by sprinkling a teaspoonful of flour over them while frying.

Apples that are not properly looked after will decay in the barrels very fast.

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Sold this season for $2.00—now $1.00. Men's Solid Winter Boots, $1.50. Ladies' all (6, 6½, 7) Grain Button Shoes worth $1.75; your choice of the lot for 75c.

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Underwear,
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Dress and Night Shirts,
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Mufflers, and an elegant Assortment of Scarfs.

Prices always the lowest.
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ANYONE in search of a first-class cooking apparatus can find what they want in the "Home Comfort" Range sold by Morehouse, Wells & Co. One of the best housekeepers in the city says: "We did not know what home comfort was until we got a 'Home Comfort' range in the house." n30-tf

WOOD PUMPS, Chain Pumps, Iron Force Pumps, for sale at Spencer & Lehman's. feb 16-d&wtf

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To this end special efforts have been made to secure bargains resulting from forced sales. We have availed ourselves of all such offerings in order to make this sale the most important ever offered to buyers in Decatur. Among the various articles of greatest interest to the public we will mention first an extensive line of

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AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

86 Ladies' Newmarkets, Brown German Twill, fine quality, $7.25, worth $11.

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22 Young Ladies' Newmarkets, fancy stripe, $5 for all sizes.

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Our entire stock of Jackets reduced to prices that will insure their speedy sale.

IN DRESS GOODS WE OFFER

3-4 Wool filled Cashmere, 9 cents.
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36-inch Satin Berber, 19 cents.
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40-inch All Wool Cashmeres, black and colors, 38c.
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We will also call attention to several attractive additions to our already large assortment of BLACK GOODS.

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Everything will be marked in plain figures, and the closest buyers will find it to their interest to invest in this sale.

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Harrison's Election.

Times will be better now, and we have concluded to adopt the protection policy. Therefore after December 1st we will make no more cabinet photos at $1 per dozen. Make a free trade rush while they are cheap. Hurry, there!
nov9-dtf STAFFORD & LEFORGER.

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Invite special attention to their recent importation of Kid Gloves, comprising the newest shades of embroidered as well as plain black, in Button and Hook Gloves, that are manufactured. Ask for the celebrated "M[illegible]." d&w

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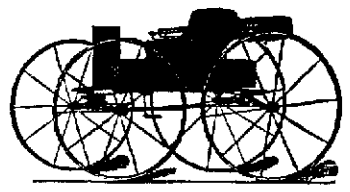

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY,

In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery. To September Term, A. D. 1888.

Newell A. White vs. Harvey Pasco et al—Foreclosure. No. 13,175.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term A. D. 1888, by the said Court, in the above entitled cause I, John A. Brown, Master in Chancery of said Macon County, Illinois, will at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon on

Saturday, the 15th Day of December, A. D. 1888,

at the west outside entrance to the stairway leading to the Circuit Court room in the city of Decatur in said Macon County, sell, at public vendue, to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon, state of Illinois, to-wit: Lots Twenty-two (22) and Twenty-three (23) in Block Six (6) of Higgins' addition to the city of Decatur, Illinois.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash, subject to redemption.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 20th day of November, A. D. 1888.

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon County, Illinois.
WM. T. CUSSINS, Complainant's Solicitor.
nov20-d3wks

Publication Notice in Chancery.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
COUNTY OF MACON,

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1889.

Maze Sly, Complainant, vs. James Russell and Marion Russell, Defendants.—In Chancery.

Notice is hereby given to you, the said James Russell and Marion Russell, defendants in the above entitled cause, that Maze Sly, the complainant in said suit, has heretofore filed, in said Court, on the Chancery side thereof, her bill of complaint against you, the said James Russell and Marion Russell, the defendants above named; and that thereupon a summons in chancery issued out of said Court in said cause against you, the said James Russell and Marion Russell, returnable at the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county, on the first day of the January Term, A. D. 1889, of said Court, to-wit: on the second Monday in the month of January, A. D. 1889, and that said suit is still pending and undetermined in said Court.

E. McGLELLAN, Clerk.
W. T. CUSSINS, Complainant's Solicitor.
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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one special execution to me directed and delivered by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of Joseph Faith and against Thomas Russell, I will expose the following described property, to-wit: Lots Eight and Nine, in Block Two of Warrensburg, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, as property of the said Thomas Russell, which I shall offer at public sale at the west door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 26th day of December, A. D. 1888, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 3rd day of December, A. D. 1888.

J. H. MAUZY,
Sheriff Macon County, Illinois.
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Executrix' Notice.

Estate of David Hamsher, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed Executrix of the estate of David Hamsher, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 26th day of November, 1888.

REBECCA HAMSHER,
nov27-d3w Executrix.

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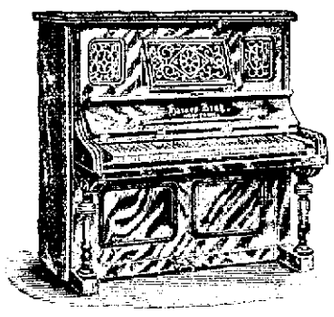

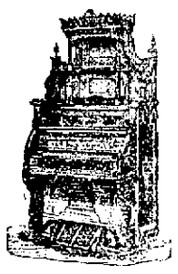

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Call and see our Bed Room Suits at $20 and $25; also, all Plush Parlor Suits at $25. Everything sold at Reduced Prices. We are bound to sell. No trouble to show goods. Give us a call.

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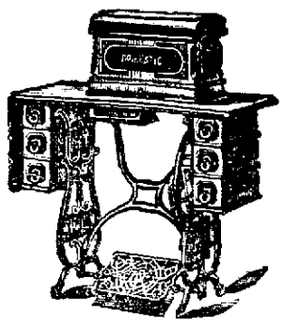

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WEDNESDAY EVE., DEC. 12, 1888.

After the Chair, What?

It is pretty early to speak of it, but the *Globe-Democrat* surmises that Reed, McKinley, Cannon and Burrows, who are seeking the speakership of the next house of representatives, have ulterior designs on the Presidency, and that paper recalls the fact that of the thirty different men who have occupied the chair during the fifty congresses of the past, only one—James K. Polk—lived to reach the Presidential chair. All of the thirty were eminent in their day, and among them Clay, Bell, Colfax and Blaine in later days came near the great goal of their ambition, but only to fail. There seems to have been a sort of fatality in the speaker's gavel, a "hoodoo," so speak, in the occupancy of the chair. It may be that the very opportunities of the position are inseparably connected with the jealousies and animosities which have served to blast so many otherwise promising Presidential possibilities. And it is unfortunate, too, that the prominence given to the speakership of our House of Commons should be seized upon by the public as an evidence of the fact that the speaker has a White House bee in his bonnet, since the mere mention of such a suspicion is enough to transform every other victim of a similar delusion into the most implacable of foes. There is a good deal of jealousy in human nature, and there is a good deal of human nature even in congressmen. However, as the *Globe-Democrat* remarks, "the eminent gentlemen who are about to begin their canvass for the speakership will not be deterred in their endeavors by the pranks which fate played with those who reached that station and attempted to go higher." As Polk "broke the record," each of them will doubtless indulge the hope that he may be a second Polk. And even if the record had never been broken, who shall blame them for entertaining the ambition—nay the solemn intention—to be the first man in a century to root up and destroy that senseless superstition? And if one of them should follow Polk from the speakership to the White House we will all cry Amen.

THE trade in Christmas trees and greens grows larger year by year. Thirty years ago a Christmas tree was seldom seen, except in some homes of the richest class, and the adornment of churches for the festival season was confined to the Catholic and Episcopalian denominations. But the immense increase of our German population has popularized the Christmas tree throughout the length and breadth of the land and, with the waning of old puritan ideas, the decoration of churches of all denominations has become customary. The extent to which materials for these purposes are now required is shown by the fact that a single dealer in New England last year disposed of 10,000 Christmas trees, 25,000 yards of wreathing, 800 barrels of evergreen spray. The smallest trees that are sold bring on the ground 10 cents apiece, while the largest—twenty-five to thirty feet in height—bring from $4 to $6.

PEORIA *Transcript:* According to the Chicago *Herald* Governor-elect Fifer was the only guest present at a fashionable wedding in Chicago, the other evening, who did not have a claw-hammer coat. But the fact that Joe does not own a dress-coat cuts little figure when we remember that the people of the state of Illinois have declared that they are satisfied with the cut of his jib.

A CORRESPONDENT of the New York *Post*, says the Indianapolis *Journal*, insults the farmers of this country by accounting for the strong protection vote in agricultural localities on the theory that the voters there were purchasable. "A given amount of 'soap,'" says this writer, "will accomplish greater results if applied among men who work for day wages, no matter how small." The public in general considers farmers one of the most intelligent and upright classes of men in the community; but however this may be, they are quite capable of resenting insults, and the circulation of such slanders as this in Democratic papers is not likely to soften their hearts toward that party. When the *Post* and its friends want the farmers' votes next time, these things will be remembered.

IT is impossible to make anything else of the anarchist cases than a diseased desire for notoriety. These men are of the Guiteau sort—unable to live quiet and decent lives with satisfaction to themselves. Whether one out of ten would ever dare to attempt any overt act of murder is doubtful. They are mostly cowards and braggarts and liars, as the trials show, but it is not safe to let them go on with the handling of dynamite. Two things are necessary—first, to stop giving notoriety to their actions, and, secondly, to punish them in a manner to prevent their exaltation as martyrs. It might be well to employ every one found fooling with bombs and dangerous missiles in a dynamite factory till he was cured of his liking for such stuff. The main point is that press and people clearly understand that all talk of revolution is bosh and bluster. It is only a case of assassination and thuggery. The men are dangerous in no other sense. We have not the material for a revolution.

THE proposition to dig a canal for the purpose of draining the three townships of Tuscola, Arcola and Bowdre in Douglas county is arousing great opposition among the farmers in the territory affected. The proposed canal, which is to reclaim something like 100,000 acres of land, will be fourteen miles in length, and the opposition to it is based upon the expense, which is expected to amount to as much as $15 per acre on some of the lands. This is more than the farmers can stand, and it is prophesied that the effect of it will be to throw a large number of farms upon the market, to be sold at a sacrifice. The plan is to begin work on the canal in the spring, and the opposition promises to make no end of litigation and create much bad feeling.

VICE-PRESIDENT AND MRS. MORTON left New York yesterday morning, and are expected to reach Indianapolis this evening. Neither has ever before visited Indiana's chief city, and neither has ever met Mrs. Harrison. The meeting between Harrison and Morton, however, will be one between old friends, and the visitors look forward to a very pleasant visit, socially.

AND now comes the story that Mr. Cleveland will try to reach the senate from New Jersey. If he should succeed the country may expect to be kept interested, at least as long as Mr. Ingalls remains in the Senate.

THE Nashville *American* said the other day that "Northern men and Northern capital have had but little to do in developing the South." To which the Chattanooga *Times* sensibly replies: "Such talk is stupid, false and mischievous to the last degree. The bonds and stocks of our railroads, furnaces and manufacturing corporations represent money paid for them by northern investors, and that money is the foundation of all our great enterprises. We want more Northern money, skill and experience, and we shall get less of them if we tell those who own and control these essentials that their millions and exertions in the past are mere bagatelles not worth mentioning."

"I WONDER how it is that Lawrence Barrett always keeps his voice so clear and resonant?" "Why I suppose, like every other sensible man, he keeps a supply of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup."

Rheumatism had had hold of me for two or three years. I tried Salvation Oil; it quickly gave me relief, and I have not had it since. WM. CLARK, Clifton, Baltimore County Md.

If you wish elegant Leather Goods, in Card Cases, Pocket-Books, Lap Desks, Portfolios, Calling Sets and Novelties, see the beautiful goods now open at the City Book Store. J. H. BEVANS.
Dec 12-d&wtf

Sheriff Jones of Grant County, Indiana, Killed by an Escaped Horse Thief.

WABASH, Ind., Dec. 12.—Robert T. Jones, sheriff of Grant County, was shot and killed Sunday night by John Fleming, a horse thief, at Jerome, a village, twenty-five miles south of here. The sheriff was attempting to arrest Fleming, who escaped from jail some time ago. The murderer was afterwards arrested by a deputy sheriff, and is now in the penitentiary. There was so much talk of lynching him that Marion jail was not deemed secure to hold him.

Russell Harrison in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Mr. Russell Harrison, son of President-elect Benjamin Harrison arrived in this city at half past seven o'clock yesterday morning, and was immediately driven to the Gilsey House, where he will remain during his stay in New York. To a reporter Mr. Harrison stated that his business here was of a private nature and has nothing whatever to do with politics. Mr. Harrison will probably remain in town several days.

Suicide of a Well-Known Traveling Doctor.

FULTON, Ill., Dec. 12.—Dr. H. D. Flower, of this city, committed suicide Monday afternoon by cutting his throat with a pocket knife. He was widely known as a traveling doctor. He was for several years in contest with the Illinois State Board of Health, and last spring lost his suit and was debarred from practice in this State.

Believed To Be a Hoax.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 12.—Mayor Ballerok received the following by mail on Tuesday morning. It was written on a postal card decorated with a skull and cross-bones. It is believed to be a hoax:

Unless you vindicate yourself from the suspicion of being implicated in the Axworthy defalcation, we have to inflict the extreme penalty of our obligation.

[Signed] O'SHEA, Captain White Caps.

Senator Butler Re-Elected.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 12.—Senator M. C. Butler was re-elected by the South Carolina Legislature yesterday to the United States Senate as his own successor. No other name was presented. He received every vote cast in the Senate, and all but one in the House. The election will be formally declared to-day before both houses in joint session.

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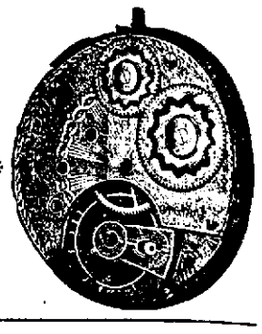

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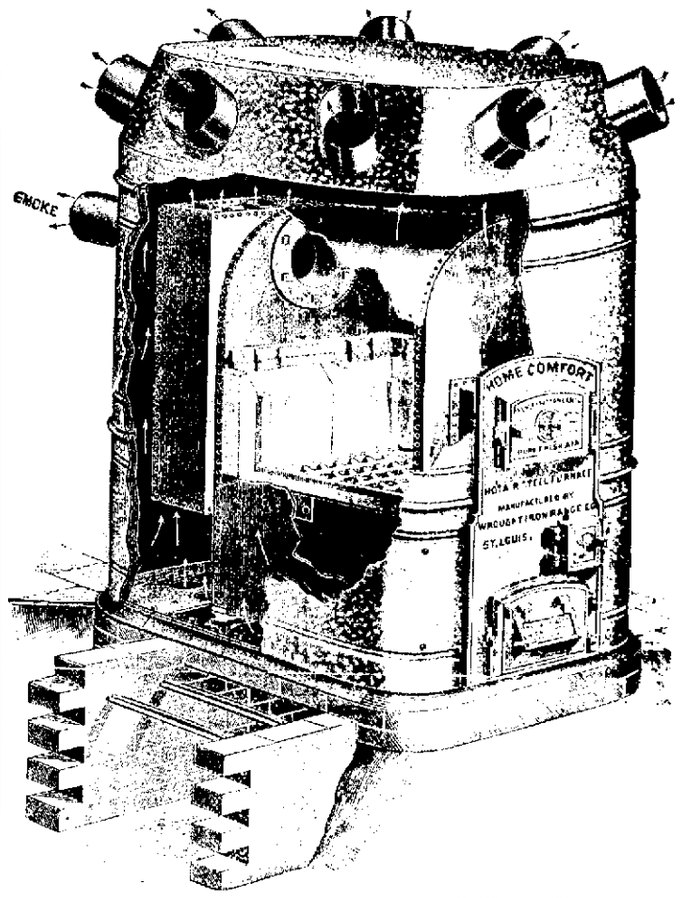

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It will be Good to Eat.

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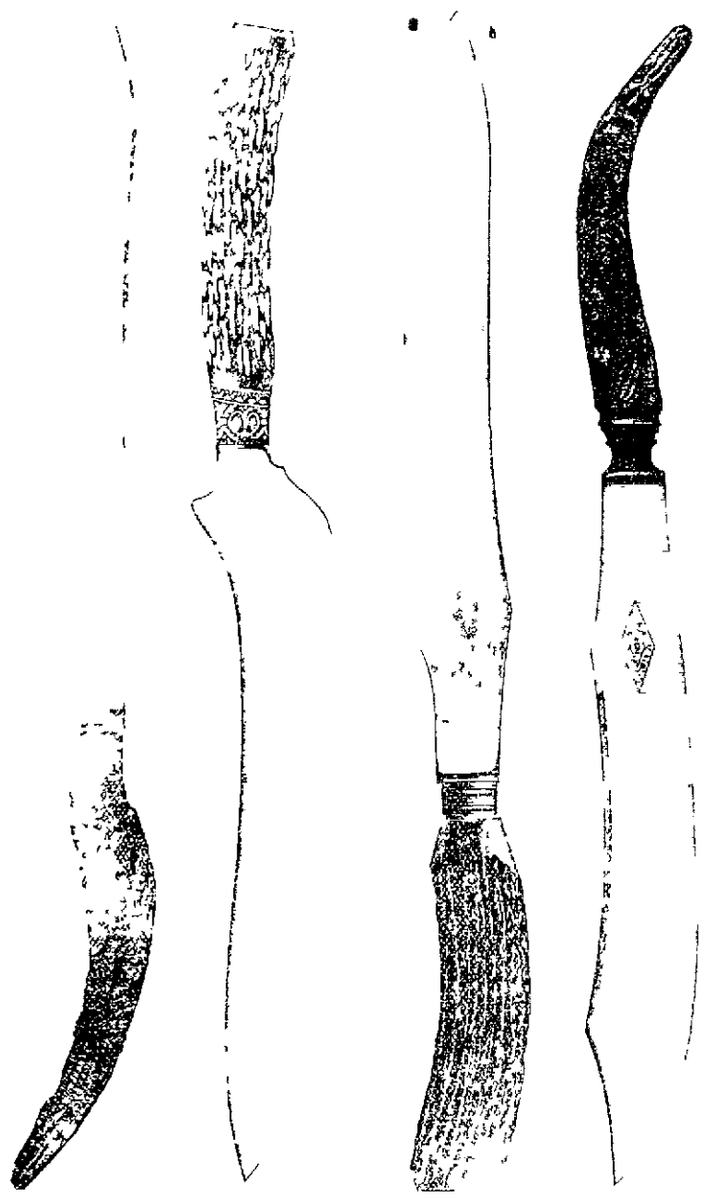

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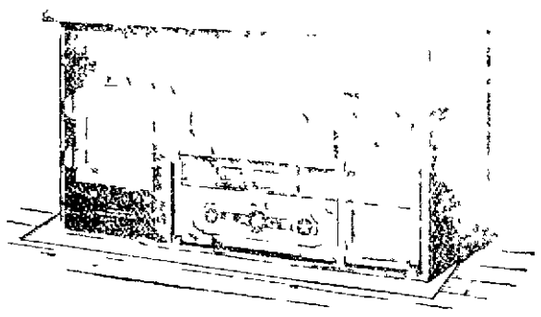

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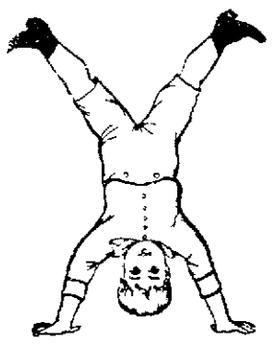

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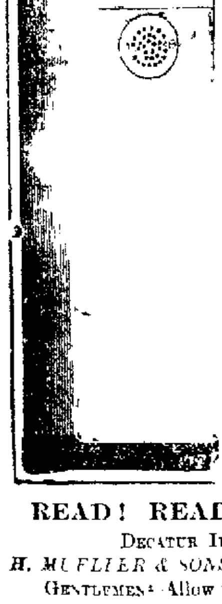

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The Spartans and Music.

The favorite problem of thinkers and teachers since thought began, has been to find some engine of education which should reach the character as effectually as the ordinary means of training touch the understanding and in the opinion of many, not men alone but nations, music was such an engine. "It is music," said the Spartans, "which distinguishes the brave man from the coward." "A man's music is the source of his courage." It was their music which enabled Leonidas and his three hundred to conquer at Thermopylae. It was music which taught the Spartan youths how to die in the wrestling ring or on the field of battle. These claims are audacious surely. Yet, when we consider how the rhythmical tread of the brave man differs from the agitated shamble of the coward, how music is the art of human joy, and how joy and repose of mind are the main elements of manly fortitude, we shall at any rate admit that there is a strong affinity somewhere. Our only difficulty will be to acknowledge that music, deliberately applied, could ever be the direct cause of these reputed results. To achieve the end desired Spartan boys passed their youth in learning tunes, hymns and songs; this was their sole mental culture. They were taught to dance and keep step to the measure of the songs as they sang them. And, grown to manhood, now perfect warriors, marched into battle with smiling faces, crowned with flowers, calm, joyful and serene and intoning their songs, moved steadily thus into the thickest of the fight undisturbed and irresistible. The band that leads our armies to the field of battle nowadays is a scant survival of Spartan practice, yet even in this music by proxy there are many elements of incitement to courage.—The National Review.

A West Virginia Diana.

The most celebrated hunters of the section are Bob Eastman, Jule Baker, a woman, and Louis Chidester. There is a law to protect deer but it is not observed. Out of season venison is called mountain mutton. Jule Baker is the wife of Joan Baker and lives near the mouth of Black Water fork. She can handle a Winchester with the dexterity and precision of Old Leatherstocking and hundreds of deer and bear have fallen victims to the unerring bullets from her rifle. Bob Eastman says he saw her plunging down the mountain side through six inches of snow one day, with two rifles and a bear trap strapped to her back and followed by six dogs. She ran three miles to a point where she thought a deer in full chase would cross and she got there in time to see her husband kill him. She is a big black haired woman, very industrious, with a heart as large as her foot, and she is the mother of seven children. She is not pretty. A few months ago for a silver dollar, she carried a valise weighing over 100 pounds seven miles for an engineer. It is said that on one occasion she carried a sewing machine from Grafton to her home, a distance of sixty miles.—Baltimore American.

A Prosperous Hotel Porter.

There is one hotel porter in Chicago who has not the distinction of being the oldest man in the business, yet he is undoubtedly the wealthiest. The aristocratic tourist who makes his home at the Grand Pacific during his stay in Chicago is greeted on his arrival by a tall man of genteel appearance, who takes his big traveling bag with a Chesterfieldian bow and conducts him to the foot of the elevator. This man is John Callston, the richest hotel porter in the world. Callston is said to be worth more than $100,000 and lives in elegance on Park avenue. He prides himself on the memory of names and faces and knows every public man in America who has chanced to stop at the Grand Pacific hotel. He is always posted on the railway time tables and is prepared to give his opinion readily on the amusements in the city. Like his contemporaries who enjoyed the profits of ticket scalping before that business became a specialty and was controlled by agents, he made an independent fortune and continually added to it. He has two assistants who receive $60 a month each and their board.—Chicago News.

The Same John.

Marriage is not transformation. John will be as cross when he is hungry, as glum when distraught with business anxieties, as uncomfortable when his collar chafes his neck—in a word as human and as fallible as John wedded as single. He is a good son and brother, yet betrothed Mary has heard him speak impatiently to his mother and tartly to his sister. He will, upon what he reckons as sufficient occasions, be both pert and petulant with his wife when once the new clay has worn off. Were this not true he would be an angel, and angels do not wear tweed business suits and Derby hats or have dyspepsia and smoke more than is wholesome for nerves and pocket. Bills are never presented to cherubim at most ingeniously inconvenient times, and seraphim have no natural but thin skinned conceit that will not brook wifely criticism.—Marion Harland.

More Than He Hoped For.

Entering the shop of his tailor the other day he said:

"Sir, I owe you £10."

"Yes, sir, you do."

"And I have owed it for [illegible]."

"You have."

"And this is the fifth post card you have sent regarding the debt."

"I think it is the fifth."

"Now, sir, while I cannot pay the debt for perhaps another year, I propose to protect my character as far as possible. Here are twelve penny stamps. You can use them in sending me twelve monthly statements of account and can thus save your postal cards and my feelings at the same time."

It is said that the tailor has credited the shilling on account, and feels that he has secured more of the debt than he had any reason to hope for.—New York Graphic.

One of the Richest Sovereigns.

The little princess of the Netherlands, when she becomes queen of Holland, will be one of the richest sovereigns, if not the richest sovereign, in Europe. The civil list of Holland, which is secured on the revenues of Borneo, is very large—£3,000,000 per annum, it is said. The duchy of Luxembourg passes to the grand duke of Nassau, and then becomes a portion of the German empire, but the kingdom of Holland, not coming under the operations of the Salic law, descends to the king's little daughter. She is a bright, intelligent, clever child with a good deal of character and determination. The marriage of the king and queen despite the disparity of age has been a very happy one.—[illegible] World.

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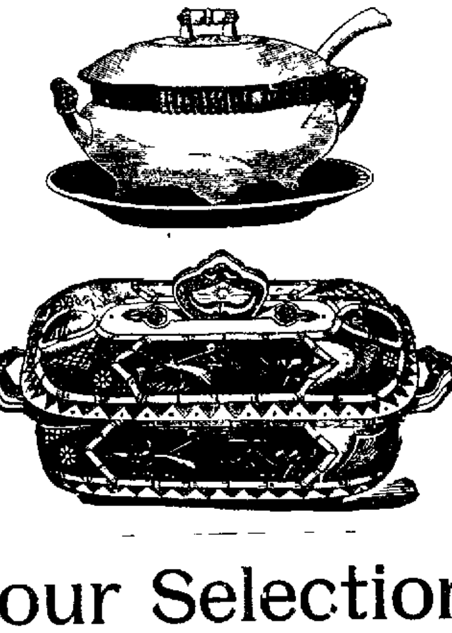

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Publication Notice in Attachment.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY. }

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1889.

Phelps Dodge & Palmer vs. George W. Cowles.

Public notice is hereby given to the said defendant George W. Cowles that a writ of attachment issued out of the office of the Clerk of the Circuit court of said county of Macon dated the 8th of April A. D. 1888, at the suit of the above named plaintiffs Phelps Dodge & Palmer, partners, and against the lands, goods, chattels, rights, moneys, credits and effects of you the said defendant George W. Cowles for the sum of sixty four and twenty five one hundredths dollars directed to the Sheriff of Macon county to execute, which suit is now pending in the Circuit Court [illegible] and said writ has been returned executed [illegible] real estate in Macon county, to wit: Lot No. Twelve [illegible] Block [illegible] Two [illegible] B. Durfee's First addition to the City of Decatur, Macon county, [illegible] taken as the property of [illegible] George W. Cowles on the [illegible] of April A. D. 1888.

Now therefore unless you the said defendant George W. Cowles shall personally [illegible] appear before the said Circuit Court of Macon county at the January Term to be held [illegible] in the City of Decatur [illegible] the Second Monday of January A. D. [illegible] [illegible]

J. M. CLOKEY[illegible], Clerk.

JOHN H. M[illegible], Plaintiff's Attorney.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY. }

In Circuit Court of Macon County, [illegible] Term A. D. [illegible]

[illegible]

Thursday, the [illegible] day of [illegible] D. 1888,

at the west outside door of the court house [illegible] in said Macon county [illegible] to the highest and best bidder [illegible] the county of Macon and State of Illinois [illegible]

TERMS OF SALE [illegible] Cash [illegible] A. D. 1888.

JOHN A. BROWN, [illegible]

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY. }

In Circuit Court of Macon County, [illegible] Term A. D. [illegible]

[illegible]

Saturday the [illegible] th Day of [illegible] A. D. 1888,

at the west [illegible] door [illegible] leading to the circuit court room [illegible] Decatur [illegible] Macon county [illegible] to the highest [illegible] the following described real estate lying and being in the county of Macon, State of Illinois, to wit: Lots seven [illegible] in block seven Higgins addition [illegible] city of Decatur, Illinois.

TERMS OF SALE—Cash subject to redemption. Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 20th day of November A. D. 1888.

JOHN A. BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon county, Ill.
WM. [illegible], Complainant's Solicitor.
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Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY. }

In the Circuit Court to the January Term A. D. 1889.

Mary H. James vs. Ross C. James. In Ch[illegible]

Public notice is hereby given to Ross C. James the above named defendant that the above named complainant, Mary H. James [illegible] her bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof against said Ross C. James that summons has been issued therein [illegible] on the first day of said term of said court to be held in Decatur, Illinois on the [illegible] January 1889. Said summons [illegible] showing said defendant [illegible] that the said defendant is a non resident of this state.

Now unless you, the said Ross C. James [illegible] appear [illegible] [illegible]

Dated this [illegible] day of Dec [illegible]

[illegible] M. CLOKEY[illegible]

[illegible]